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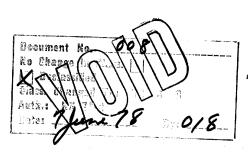
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- Joze Brilej, described as a Yugoslav Foreign Ministry official presently attached to the Yugoslav Embassy in Rome, allegedly has been given authorization by Foreign Minister Edvard Kardelj to conduct discussions with the Italian Foreign Ministry concerning Italo-Yugoslav economic and political problems, including the question of the Free Territory of Trieste.
- 2. Since the recent announcement that the United States was favorably disposed towards direct Italo-Yugoslav negotiations on the question of the Free Territory, this has become the main topic of conversation in the Communist Party cells at Nova Gorica and Ljubljana. Many members threaten to bolt the Party if Tito relinquishes claims to any portion of the Free Territory.



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